

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Mineo Yamakawa et al.

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For: MICROFLUID MOLECULAR-FLOW  
FRACTIONATOR AND BIOREACTOR WITH  
INTEGRATED ACTIVE/PASSIVE  
DIFFUSION BARRIER

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Examiner: P. K. Wright

**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1, 10-22, 31-40, 56-57, 61-62 and 64-66, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.